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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1823.

AT the Court at *Brighton*, the 13th of *February* 1823.

HIS Majesty having been graciously pleased to deliver the custody of the Seals of the Duchy and County Palatine of Lancaster to the Right Honourable Nicholas Vansittart, the oath of Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster was this day, by His Majesty's command, administered to him accordingly.

AT the Court at *Brighton*, the 31st of *January* 1823,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the third year of His Majesty's reign (chapter 104), intituled "An Act to continue, until the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, the bounty to vessels employed in the Greenland Seas and Davis's Streights; and to authorise His Majesty to alter the times for the sailing of the said vessels, and any of the limitations contained in the Acts for allowing the said bounty;" His Majesty is authorised, by any Order or Orders in Council to be issued for that purpose, to suspend, or vary, any or either of the limitations and restrictions contained in the several Acts granting bounties to vessels employed in the fisheries carried on in the Greenland Seas and Davis's Streights, in such manner as may ap-

pear expedient, and as may be expressed and set forth in such Order or Orders in Council; And whereas by an Act, passed in the thirty-second year of His late Majesty King George the Third (chapter 22), it is enacted, "that every ship or vessel having on board one apprentice for every fifty tons burthen, every such apprentice not exceeding the age of twenty years, nor being under twelve years at the time he shall be indentured, shall be deemed properly fitted and qualified, with respect to the number and age of apprentices, to proceed on the said fishery to the Greenland Seas and Davis's Streights, and to be entitled to the respective bounties granted by this Act." And whereas it is expedient, that further provision should be made with respect to the number of apprentices to be taken on board ships proceeding to the said fisheries; His Majesty is pleased, by virtue of the authority vested in him by the Act first above recited, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that from and after the date of this Order, British vessels employed in the fisheries in the Greenland Seas and Davis's Streights, having on board one apprentice for every one hundred tons burthen of each vessel, every such apprentice not exceeding the age of twenty years, nor being under twelve years at the time he shall be indentured, shall be deemed properly fitted and qualified, with respect to the number and age of apprentices; to proceed on the said fisheries to the Greenland Seas and Davis's Streights, and to be entitled to the respective bounties granted by law for the encouragement of the said fisheries; provided that all the other provisions of the laws for regulating the said fisheries be duly complied with: And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

Jas. Butler.